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WINE

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1879.

[Price 6d

Cromwell Advertisements

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

FAMILY GROCERS GENERAL MÉRCHANTS. AND SPIRIT,

We desire to intimate that in order to meet the growing exigencies of our business, we have ately built substantial stone additions to our former premises At the urgent request of our numerous customers, we have added to our other branches of business, that of

DRAPERY, CROCKERY, & IRONMONGERY.

We would further notify that, having engaged a Buyer in connection with our business to select special lines consigned from the Home and Melbourne markets, we will in future be in a position to offer such superior advantages to our customers as will not fail to ensure a continuance of their liberal patronage, and, more especially, will command the attention and confidence of the Trade, Runholders, and Large Buyers.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

Our GROCERY STOCK comprises: Teas, of excellent flavour, in chests, half-chests, | Candles: best brands Soap: treble crown, blue mottled, household,

Coffees, from the pure bean, ground on the pre-

mises Cocoa, Chocolate, of the best brands Sugars: crystals of every shade, and crushed

Bacon, Cheese, Butter: weekly supplies from the best dairies

Jams, Jellies, and Pickles

TOBACCOS.

and assorted

Imperial, Aromatic, cable-twist superior Cameron's celebrated brands—Havelock, Golden Bar, Venus tens Barrett's Twist, in quarter-tierces and boxes.

Water Lily, Over the Water, navy sixes Cut Tobaccos, in pound, half-pound, and quarter-pound tins, and in bulk.

Ales: Tennent's, Younger's, and Colonial. Porter: Blood's, Byass's, Guiness's, and Colo

Sauces: Lea and Perrins, Mushroom, Nabob,

scented in bars, cakes, and boxes Vestas, by approved makers Salt: table, fine, and coarse

Ginger Wine, in bulk and case

Bitters: Selner's, Stoughton's

Cordials: assorted

Raisins: Muscatels, Sultanas, and Elemes Oils: salad, castor, and kerosene

WINES AND SPIRITS. Moselle: No. 2 Hock: Gold Leaf

Brandies Hennessy's, Associated Vineyard, Martell s, in bulk and case Whiskies: Old Glenury, Islay, Longjohn's, in bulk and case Rum: Lemon Hart's

Port: Fine old Offley's, six grape Sherry: Gonzola, six diamond Gin: J:) KZ Geneva, Nectar, and Kummell Old Tom: Burnett's, Bernard's Claret : St. Julien's

IRONMONGERY STOCK consists of

Blasting powder and fuse Gunpowder, caps, and shot Long and short handled shovels Spades, sluice forks Picks and pickhandles Gold dishes, hose-pipes Drills and drilling hammers Manilla and flax ropes
White lead, castor, boiled, and colza oils Galvanised and corrugated iron Stoves and piping

Billies and pannikins Tea-kettles, iron and tin Galvanised iron buckets and tubs Enamelled and tinned stew and saucepans Axes and axe-handles Nails, cut and wrought Tacks, clout and American cut Garden rakes, hoes, and spades Cutlery, a large assortment Carpenters' tools of every description.

Sarsaparilla : Singleton's, Townsend's

CANVAS, SADDLERY, AND BRUSHWARE. HOLT'S SEWING MACHINES: CABINET AND HAND.

DRAPERY AND CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Suits: silk-mixture, Galatea, Paget, sac Trousers and Vests: Mosgiel, silk-mixed, tweed, doeskin

Shirts: white dress, crimeans, Scotch twill, tweed

Pants and undershirts, in flannel, lamb's-wool, merino, and cotton Hosiery and hats

wool plaids, prints Flannels; Calicos, bleached and unbleached Blankets, rugs, quilts Table-covers, bed and toilet-covers. Cocoa and felt mattings Hessian, bed-ticking, carpets Top, waterproof, and tweed coats; etc., etc.

BOOTS & SHOES.

Boots: men's elastic sides, watertights, halt-Wellingtons; Hayward and North British Gum Boot Women's and children's Boots, Shoes, and Slippers, in calf, kid, and cashmere. N.B.—All goods in this department are marked at low prices

CROCKERYWARE.

Breakfast, dinner, and bedroom sets complete Lamps: parlour, hanging, bracket FILTERS,

1 China, glass, and earthenware goods of every description

VASES, AND LUSTRES.

FANCY GOODS.

Electro-plated Britannia-metal tea and coffee pots; meerschaum and briar pipes- a choice selection; patent medicines; stationery; perfumery.

COLONIAL PRODUCE: Wheat, Oats, Chaff, Pollard, and Potatoes.

D. A. J. & Co. have been appointed sole agents for the sale of Butel Bros.' superior silk-dressed dour, bran, and pollard; and are prepared to promptly execute all orders within a radius of sixty miles.—Flour Guaranteed. Terms Liberal.

TALBOYS NEW GROCERY QUOTATIONS.

New Season Tea, 1878-79 (Boxes of 12lb), 23s Cocoa (pound tins), 1s 61 Muscatels, 1s 2d per ib Jordan Almonds, 2s 3d per 15 Elemes, 71d per 16 Lemon Peel, 1s 5d per lb Two-crown Soap, 12s per box Three-crown Soap, 14s per box Cheese, 10d per tb Hams, 10d per fb Kerosene (Noonday), 12s per tin.

Fresh Herrings, 8d per tin. Lobsters, 101d per tin Salmon, 104d per tin Sardines (half-pound tins), 11d Sardines (quarter-pound tins), 7d Oysters, 7d per tin Tainsh's Jams, 11d per tin Figs, 1s per box Preserved Fruits, 2s. Pickles, 1s per bottle Candles 104d per 1b

ABOVE PRICES ARE STRICTLY CASH.

Men's Elastic Sides, Lace-ups and Watertights, Colonial Made, 14s 6d.

A large stock of Ladies' and Children's Kid Boots (Copper Toes), 4s 6d.

-0-W. TALBOYS, LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,

Cromwell Advertisements

In returning thanks to the Public of Cromwell and surrounding districts for past patronage, respectfully beg to inform them that, having been unsuccessful in disposing of our Cromwell branch, we have determined

TO CONTINUE BUSINESS,

And, with that view, have Replenished our Stock with a large and well-selected assortment of

DRAPERY, BOOTS, HOSIERY, FANGY GOODS,

CROCKERY IRONMONGERY & GROCERIES.

Which we are now offering at prices far below former quotations. We would specially draw attention to our Stock of

AND BOYS' CLOTHING. BLANKETS, ETC.,

DIRECT FROM OUR OWN FACTORY, AS BEING OF VERY CHOICE VALUE.

AN EARLY INSPECTION SOLICITED.

AGENTS FOR

Dress materials: winceys, French merinos, all. Robertson & Hallenstein's Silk-dressed Flour, Bran and Pollard.

A LARGE STOCK OF GRAIN AND PRODUCE ALWAYS ON HAND.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.

TALBOYS'

REDUCED PRICE LIST OF

WINTER DRAPERY, CLOTHING, &c.

Good Winceys, 6d, 10d and 1s Satin Cloths, new shades, 1s 6d French Merinos, 2s, 2s 6d and 3s All Wool Plaids, 2s 11d Fancy Dress, 10s 6d, 12s 6d and 15s Black Silks, 60s; Colored, 50s (the Dress) Black and Colored Lustres, 11d and 1s 3d Costume Cloths, 11d, 1s 3d and 1s 6d Horrocks' Calico, 5s 9d per doz Unbleached Calico, 5s 9d per doz Real Welsh Flannel, Is 3d and Is 6d Colored Flanuels in Twill and Plain White Blankets, 13s 6d per pair Colored Blankets, 14s-large stock Sheeting, 72in, 1s 6d Turkish Towels, 12s per doz Tweeds, 3s 6d, 4s 6d and 5s 6d Carpets and Mathings, from 1s 4d

Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing in Colonial and English Tweeds and makes Men's Suits, 37s 6d, 40s and 45s; Pagets, 50s Trowsers and Vests, 17s 6d, 22s 6d and 25s Trowsers, Tweed, 10s 6d, 12s 6d, and 15s White and Colored Moles, three crown, 9s Coats, splendid stock new goods, from 17s 6d Pilot Coats, from 22s 6d Knit Drawers, 5s 6d, 7s 6d and 8s 6d Serge Drawers, 7s 6d; Cotton, 3s Shirts, job lot, at 4s 6d; Crimean, 5s to 10s Flannels, large sizes, 5s 6d, 6s 6d and 7s 6d Boys' Knicker Suits, 10s 6d, 15s and 17s 6d Youths' Suits, 25s, 30s, and 32s 6d. Men's White Embroidered Shirts Gent's Scarfs in great variety Large stock Felt Hats, 4s, 5s and 6s 6d Bed Rugs, large size, 12s 6d.

A Large and Varied Stock of New Goods in Ladies' and Children's Jackets, Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, Gloves, Scarfs, Lace Sets, Hosiery.

Ribbons and Trimmings

Cromwell



The following are the days appointed for holding the Resident Magistrate's and Warden's Courts for the months of July, August, September and October, 1879, for the Dunstan division of the Otago Goldfields Districts:—

CLYDE-Every Thursday. CROMWELL-Every Friday.

ALEXANDRA-Monday, July 28

August 25 September 22 ,,

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The Office at Alexandra will be open once a fortnight for the transaction of public busi-

Roxburgh - Tuesday, July 22

August 19 September 16

October 14 OPHIR—Tuesday, July 291

August 26 September 23 ir October 21

> JACKSON KEDDELL, Warden and R.M.

R A. F. B L O O D, B. A., Has Commenced Practice as a

SOLICITOR AND CONVEYANCER In the District, R.M. and Warden's Courts, Cromwell.

Mr Blood is prepared to visit Alexandra, Blacks, &c., when professionally required.

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NEXT DOOR TO THE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND.

ENRICH BEHRENS. WHEELWRIGHT COACH-BUILDER

Melmore-street, Cromwell (Nearly opposite Bank of New South Wales),

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A Large Supply of Well-seasoned American and Native Timbers kept in Stock.

Repairs done in best style.

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Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Paperhanging, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

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Has just received, per Suez Mail, his consignment of
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LEVER WATCHES

direct from the

Manufacturer in London, As these Watches are made to his ownorder, bear his name, and specially made to suit the requirements of this district, he

can with confidence recommend them to the public both as regards finish and accuracy of adjustment, and as Time-keepers not to be ex-

E.M. has made arrangements for regular supplies, and as he buys for cash he is in a position to defy competition

A Two Years' Guarantee given with every Watch.

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Watch and Clock Maker, MELMORE-STREET, CRONWELL.

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AT THE

GLADSTONE NURSERY, NEAR INVERCARGILL:-

1-year-old Apple Trees, 7s p er dozen 2-year-old Apple Trees, 9s per dozen

3-year-old Apple Trees, 12s per dozen 4-year-old Apple Trees, from 16s per dozen Plums, Pears and Cherries from 17s per dozen Peaches, £1 4s per dozen

Gooseberries and Currants, from 3s per dozen Scotch Fir, three years old (transplanted),

£4 per 1,000 Pinus Astrica, L4 10s per 1,000 Pinus Pinaster, L3 10s 6d per 1,000

Norway Spruce, four years old, L5 per 1,000 400,000 Quicks, 9s, 10s, 12s, 15s and 20s per 1,000 Rhubarb Roots, 10s, 15s and 20s per dozen

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Every description of Fire Insurance business ur dertaken. The liberality and promptness in settlement which have been important features in securing the above rapid progress still characterise the South British.

Every information supplied by

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Supply First-class SILK-DRESSED FLOUR, BRAN, AND POLLARD.

GRISTING DONE AT CURRENT RATES.

Country orders executed with care and dispatch. An excellent sample of flour guaranteed, -cannot be excelled in the Colony.

TINCENT FLOUR MILL, OPHIR.

J. C. JONES

Begs to inform the inhabitants of the surrounding districts that, having now completed the above Flour Mill, which he has fitted up with machinery on the most improved principle, he is prepared to supply

SILK-DRESSED FLOUR of the best quality; also, Bran and Pollard.

Gristing at Current Rates.

J. C. JONES.

WAKATIP FLOUR & OATMEAL MILLS, LAKE HAYES.

ROBERT GILMOUR - PROPRIETOR.

The Proprietor begs to announce to the public that, owing to the increased demand for Oatme 1. he has now completed considerable improvements on his oatmeal machinery, and is prepared to supply a first-class article at a most reasonable

R.G.'s Mill being under the management of a Miller of wide experience, the public can depend upon a Constant Supply of Flour of the best will be found to compare most favorably as to upon as reasonable terms as any in the district.

ROBERT GILMOUR.

WANAKA SAW-MILLS. RUSSELL, EWING & CO.,

Proprietors.

The Proprietors have placed the above Mills in complete working order with the best appliances obtainable and are prepared to supply Manufactured Timber of every description; Posts, Rails, Props, Slabs, &c. &c., at the shortest possible notice, at reasonable prices

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with promptitude.

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G. W. GOODGER . . Proprietor.

CROMWELL,

The Proprietor is now prepared to supply his unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity, delivered throughout the District.

Orders left at the Commercial Hotel, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly at-

G. W. GOODGER.

CROMWELL TETERINARY SHOEING FORGE, MELMORE STREET.

ROBERT WISHART, GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, MACHINIST,

Fvery description of work in connection with Mining and Farming Tools and Machinery made and repaired on the premises.

Good Workmanship guaranteed at Reasonable Prices.

R. W. begs to intimate to the public generally that he has gone to the expense of fitting up a Fruiterer's Susiness in Dunelin.

CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS, being the first introduced up-country; and in this branch he will guarantee to give every satisfaction.

Horses shod on the latest and most-approved

principle. Draught do.

N.B.—A large sumply of Slesinger's Horse and Cattle Medicines on hand,

TMPORTANT TO WAGONERS, FAR-1 MERS, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

NEW VETERINARY & SHUEING FORGE.

JAMES RICHARDS

Having purchased the business as General Blacksmith and Horse-shoer in Cromwell, lately carried on by Mr R. Cayford, begs to inform the public that he is in a position to execute every class of work in a most satisfactory manner at reasonable prices.

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WHorses carefully and skilfully treated for all complaints.

Note the Address-MURRAY STREET, CROMWELL, Opposite Messrs Grant and MacKellar's offices.

CHERWOOD AND WRIGHT, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MER-CHANTS, AND GENERAL STOREKEEPERS,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

Having completed their arrangements for the regular consignment of Goods suitable to the market, Sherwood and Wright have pleasure in intimating that they have now on hand, and constantly arriving, full supplies of

Wines, Spirits, Provisions, and FAMILY GROCERIES

of the very best quality obtainable, and which Goldfields.

The Stock comprises every class of goods in above line, so that it is unnecessary to give a detailed list.

Messrs Sherwood and Wright have made arrangements for a constant supply of

FLOUR, BRAN, POLLARD, AND GENERAL PRODUCE of the finest quality from the Wakatipu Mills.

In this line the firm can offer special value. GOODS DELIVERED TO ALL PARTS OF THE

DISTRICT, FAMILIES REGULARLY WAITED UPON.

S. & W. desire specially to state that they

have entered into arrangements for the regular supply to them of DAIRY PRODUCE

from one of the finest farms on the Taicri, an advantage which they feel sure their customers

will fully appreciate. 0 Т Ι C

number of useless Curs are allowed to provil about on Kawarau Station by their owners. This is to give them warning that POISON will be laid wherever they are most likely to get it. JAMES COWAN,

Miscellaneous.

WILLIAM SUTHERLAND General

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Begs to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that he has removed to

QUARTZVILLE, where he hopes, by strict attention to business

and reasonable charges, to merit a share of the public patronage.

KAWARAU COAL PIT, BANNOCKBURN.

MOORE & PRYDE, Proprietors.

The Coal supplied from above Pit is recognised as the best yet vended in the district. It burns freely, and emits great heat. It is delivered at

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FULL WEIGHT GUARANTEED.

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Hotelkeepers, station owners and others can rely upon obtaining suitable Servants of every description.

> LYONS (Late J. B. L. Luks),

COMMISSION, LAND & ESTATE AGENT, GEORGE-STREET, DUNEDIN.

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Will now be under the personal supervision of Mr Craig.

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Horses Broken to Saddle and Harness. H. CRAIG & Co., Proprietors.

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All kinds of castings in Brass and Iron. Steam Engines and Boilers made and repaired. Overshot, Breast, and Turbine Waterwheels, Quartz-crushing Machinery, Pumping and Wind-

ing Gear, Cast-iron Sinice and Ripple Plates; Sheet-iron Hopper and Sluice Plates, (punched to any size of holes), Gold-dredging Spoons, etc.

Flour-mill Machinery. All kinds of Reaping, Threshing, Horse-power Machines made and repaired.

Improved Reaping Machines. K., M'Q. and Co.'s improved Wrought-Iron Piping for Fluming and Hydraulic Mining is the best in use, and cheaper than canvas.

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For Mining, Quarrying, Blasting in hard or soft tock, and for Submarine Works (Krebs' Patent being the only manufacture insoluble) it

The SUPERIOR STRENGTH of these COLONIAL EXPLOSIVES has been proved by experts to be 15 to 20 per cent, stronger than any imported Dynamite, while the present price renders it cheafer than blasting powder.

> Price-I case, 2s 9d per lb. 5 ,, 2s 6d ,,

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A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

* * Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout he district.



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MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL,

In thanking householders of the town and district of Cromwell for the liberal patronage conferred upon them since starting business, desire to say that they have entered into such arrangements as will enable them to continue to supply their Customers with Beef, Mutton, Pork and other articles in the trade of the very best quality.

SMALL GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Families and Hotels waited upon daily.



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BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER, Melmore-street, Cromwell.

(SFFamilies waited on for orders, and Bread egularly delivered in all parts of the district.

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CROMWELL.

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"By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected cocoa, Mr Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a delicately flavored beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills. It is by the judicious use of such articles of diet that a constitution may be gradually built up until strong enough to resist every tendency to disease. Hundreds of subtle maladies are floating around us ready to attack wherever there is a weak point. We may escape many a fatal

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Made simply with boiling water or milk. Sold only in packets or tins, labelled :-JAMES EPPS & CO.,

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The travelling public will find every comfort and accommodation at this hostelry.

Wines, Beer, and Spirits of bestbrands.

OHN MARSH, BRIDGE HOTEL,

CROMWELL

VALUE FOR MONEY.

TICTORIA BRIDGE HOTEL.

J. M'CORMICK ... Proprietor.

The above well-known Hotel (late Edwards') has undergone a thorough renovation at the hands of the present proprietor, and is now second to no house on the main road from Cromwell to Queenstown.

Travellers may rest assured that they will receive every attention at the above Hotel.

The excellent range of STONE STABLES is under the charge of an experienced Groom. Horses will therefore secure every attention.

WICTORIA HOTEL CROMWELL.

JAMES STUART, (Late of the Ferry Hotel, Banuockburn,)

Begs to intimate to his friends and the public that he has purchased the above Hotel, where he hopes, by strict attention to business, and by keeping the hast Wines and Spirits, to merit a share of public patronage.

A first-class table kept, and superior eight-stall stone stable, replete with every convenience for Travellers. Unsurpassed in the District.

N.B.—The nearest Hotel to the Court-house.

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE, DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,

(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSE-HOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock

to The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POS-SIBLE PRICES.

N.B —Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR

CARRICK RANGE HOTEL QUARTZVILLE.

> CHARLES PEAKE, Proprietor.

The Proprietor, having recently purchased the above well-known and centrally-situated Hotel, is now in a position to offer first-class accommodation to all who may favour him with their patronage.

The Premises are fitted up and furnished on for the comfort of visitors and travellers are second to none in the district.

COMMODIOUS BILLIARD ROOM, fitted with one of Julius Paser's full-sized tables

AN EXCELLENT SIX-STALLED STABLE, with careful groom always in attendance.

CHARLES PEAKE.

RITERION HOTEL, ALEXANDRA.

HENRY TOHILL, Proprietor.

H. Tohill begs to inform the Travelling Public that this Hotel possesses every convenience, and trusts, by strict attention to the comfort of Travellers and the Public generally, to merit their patronage.

PRIVATE PARLOR AND BEDROOMS.

Large and commodious Billiard Room and Alcock's Prize Table.

THE BEST OF WINES, SPIRITS AND BEER ONLY KEPT.

The Culinary Department Specially attended to.

GOOD STABLING.

Miscellaneous.

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JOHN COX, Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every ac commodation; and J. C. begs to inform the Travelling Public that, to suit the times, he has determined on reducing the charges, which, from date, will be as follows :-

Stabling, per night ... Single Feed ... 28 Meals and Bed, each 28 Board and Lodging, per week 30s Board only

The Stables attached to the Hotel comprise, besides Stalls, Eight Loose Boxes. An efficient Groom always in attendance, and only the best of Provender kept.

Cobb and Co's. coaches arrive and depart from this Hotel.

THE BEST BRANDS OF SPIRITS, WINES, AND BEERS.

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WAKATIPU STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (LIMITED).

THE NEW MOUNTAINEER,

Captain T. PATERSON, Carrying H.M. Mails, will Leave QUEENSTOWN FOR KINGSTON DAILY, at 9.30 a.m.,

Meeting the Invercargill Train, and Returning to Queenstown at 2.30 p.m.

The Directors, having REDUCED the rates hitherto ruling on all kinds of Freight, hope to secure thereby the greatest share of the Lake traffic, and draw the attention of the Travelling Public to the Superior Passenger Accommodation and the high rate of speed of this splendid Boat.

Goods for the Arrow District stored here until the Frankton Agency is established.

The Public are invited to avail themselves of the Season Tickets issued by the Company.

For particulars, apply to the Captain or the undersigned. LEWIS HOTOP,

Queenstown, February 13th, 1879.



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J. W. ROBERTSON & CO. AND

WILLIAMS & ARCHER

Have much pleasure in informing the Public that, owing to the extraordinary increase of traffic on the Lake since the completion of the Railway, they have decided to run their powerful

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ANTRIM And their clipper-built Screw-steamer

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To and from Kingston at a reduced rate of TWELVE SHILLINGS & SIXPENCE PER TON Delivered either at QUEENSTOWN

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From Frankton and Queenstown to Kingston at 7s 6d per ton.

> WOOL AND HIDES To Kingston, 14s per ton.

PASSENGERS' FARE

To and from Kingston, 2s 6d each Passeuger Passengers returning the same day charged Single Fare.

J. W. ROBERTSON & Co., having every facility for continuing the business in the same efficient manner as hitherto, will still continue to bestow the same attention to Goods consigned to them. They request the Consignees to instruct their correspondents to address their Goods to the care of

> J. W. ROBERTSON & Co., Queenstown.

Queenstown, the 4th day of March, 1879.

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> PATENT MEDICINES. &c., &c.

SOLOMON

Has determined upon giving up Business in Cromwell solely on account of the recent bereavement in his family.

The Public will therefore bear in mind this is NO CHEAP CLEARING SALE, But a

GENUINE SALE

Of everything in Stock at any sacrifice.

EVERY ARTICLE WILL BE SOLD BELOW COST PRICE.

Special Inducements to Customers Purchasing Large Parcels.

It is impossible to quote Prices for such a large Stock.

Come and See and be Convinced.

J. S. will not Refuse any Reasonable Offer for a Large Parcel.

In order to make a speedy clearance, J. S. has made arrangements with Mr O. CUMMINS to visit the surrounding district, as well as the Arrow, Queenstown, Clyde, Alexandra, Blacks, Tinkers and Drybread, so as to give all who are not in a position to come to Cromwell the opportunity of securing Bargains.

Look out for 0. CUMMINS.

One trial will prove to anyone not entirely in the hands of other storekeepers how much cheaper J. S. is selling than any storekeeper in

A SPLENDID STOCK

ONLY JUST OPENED OUT

CHEAP BOOTS '

Heavy-nailed Watertights, 14s 6d Heavy-nailed Bluchers, 10s Gent's Balmoral's (best quality), 15s Gent's E.S. (best quality), 16s Boy's heavy-nailed Lace Boots, 6s 6d Youths' do do, 8s 6dWomen's E.S. Leather Boots, 10s Copper-toed Lace Boots, 4s 6d to 5s 6d E.S. copper-toe Boots, 5s to 6s 6d Maid's E.S. Leather Boots (1 and 2), 8s 6d Elastic top Leather Slippers, 4s

THE ABOVE ARE ALL BEST DUN-EDIN MAKE.

LADIES' & CHILDREN'S KID BOOTS. A Large Variety, equally Low in Price.

GUM BOOTS, 22s 6d.

The above Prices must convince the Public that J. Solomon means business.

TERMS-CASH ONLY.

Eincent County Gazette.

THE following List of successful and unsuccessful Tenderers is published for general information :-

CONTRACT 57.

£ s. d. James Lithgoe (accepted) ... 75 9 0 Weaver and Kirkwood 78 18 0 Brady and Coleman ... 109 0 0 ... 109 14 0 H. Tohill Dennis Buckley ... 138 0 0 CONTRACT 58.

J. Perriam (accepted) 259 6 101 ... 301 11 3

CONTRACT 59.

W. Howard (accepted) ... 182 15 0 Bethune and Partridge ... 275 0 0 GEORGE CLARK,

County Clerk.

Vincent County Offices, Clyde, August 4th, 1879.

Borough of cromwell.

Proceedings under "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876," and "The Regulations of Local Elections Act, 1876."

EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY FOR COUN-CILLOR FOR BRIDGE WARD.

Public Notice is Hereby Given that the Election of COUNCILLOR for Bridge Ward (in the room of Mr J. Solomon) will take place on THURSDAY, 21st day of August, 1879, at the Council Chamber, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.; and that the Nomination of Candidates will take place on THURSDAY, the 7th day of August, 1879, at the Council Chambers, Cromwell, at 12 o'clock noon.

All Nominations must be sent in in the form of the second schedule of "The Regulations of Local Elections Act, 1876," and shall be addressed to me and delivered before Noon on the day of Nomination at the before-named place.

Dated at Cromwell this 29th day of July, 1879.

> JAS. MARSHALL, Returning Officer for Bridge Ward.

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In pursuance of the 14th section of the Licensing Act, 1873, Amendment Act, 1874, I Hereby Give Notice that the Quarterly Licensing Meeting for the Districts of Cromwell Town and Cromwell District will be held on TUESDAY, the 2nd day of September, 1879, in the Court House, Cromwell, at the hour of Noon, for the purpose of taking into consideration all Applications for Certificates for such Licenses as are authorised to be granted at the said meeting of the Licensing Court, and the Transfer, or Renewal, or Removal of Licenses, of which due notice shall be given to me, for the aforesaid districts in which the premises in respect of which the application is made are situated respectively.

S. MEAD DALGLIESH. Clerk to Licensing Court,

Office of Clerk to Licensing Court, Cromwell, July 25th, 1879.



In pursuance of the 14th section of the Licensing Act, 1873, Amendment Act, 1874, I Hereby Give Notice that the Quarterly Licensing Meeting for the District of Cardrona will be held on THURSDAY, the 26th day of September, 1879, at Pembroke, at the hour of Noon, for the purpose of taking into consideration all Applications for Certificates for such Licenses as are authorised to be granted at the said meeting of the Licensing Court, and the Transfer, or Renewal, or Removal of Licenses, of which due notice shall be given to me, for the aforesaid district in which the premises in respect of which the application is made are situated respectively.

JAMES FLEMING,

Clerk to Licensing Court.

Office of Clerk to Licensing Court, Arrowtown, July 14th, 1879.

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FOURPENCE each will be given by the undersigned for the SKINS of Rabbits destroyed on Mt. Pisa and Queensberry Runs upon delivery at the Home Station.

I. LOUGHNAN.



SECTION 33. AND TAX ACT,

In Pursuance of the Land Tax Act, 1878, I hereby appoint FRIDAY, the 22nd day of August, proximo, at 11 a.m., as the time, and the Hospital at Frankton as the place, for hearing Objections to and Claims for Exemption from Land Tax in as far as regards Property within the County of Lake.

> H. A. STRATFORD, Judge of the Assessment Court,



Notice is Hereby Given that an Assessment Court, for the purpose of hearing Objections to the Valuation of Land under "The Land Tax Act, 1878," will be held at the respective times and places named hereunder :-

Hour Land is Situate.	11 a.m. Vincent County	11 a.m. Borough of Cromwell	11 a.m. Borough of Alexandra
Date of Stying.	August 7th	August 8:h	August 12th
PLACE WHERE COURT HELD.	R. M. Court House, Clyde	R. M. Court House, Cromwell	R. M. Court House, Alexandra

JACKSON KEDDELL, R.M., Judge of Assessment Court. Resident Magistrate's Office, Clyde, July 19, 1879.

TAGO $G \cap \Gamma D$ FIELDS. Application for an Agricultural Lease.

District of Otago Goldfields,

Cromwell, August 2, 1879. To the Warden, Cromwell. I hereby apply for a Lease of Land for agri-

cultural purposes, situate at Lowburn, between the land already applied for by me and Heaney's lease, and comprising 100 acres, or thereabouts, in accordance with the Agricultural Leases Regulations made under "The Mines Act. 1877."

HENRY PARTRIDGE By his Agent, Jas. Marshall.

NOTICE.

The above application will be heard before me, at Cromwell, on the 22nd day of August,

> JACKSON KEDDELL, Warden.

GOLDFIELDS. TAGO Application for an Agricultural Lease.

District of Otago Goldtields, Cromwell, July 28, 1879.

To the Warden at Cromwell. I hereby apply for a Lease of Land for agricultural purposes, situate at Cromwell Flat, south of the Hospital Reserve, and bounded on the east by the Town Belt, and comprising 200 acres, or thereabouts, in accordance with the Agricultural Leases Regulations made under "The Mines Act, 1877."

DAVID MURLEY,

By his Agent, Jas. Marshall.

NOTICE.

The above application will be heard before me, at Cromwell, on the 15th day of August, 1879.

JACKSON KEDDELL,

Warden.

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On and after AUGUST 1st, all Horses and Cattle trespassing on Morven Hills Station will

Any Person found Removing Horses or Cattle without giving notice will be Prosecuted

A. M'PHAIL,

Manager,

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YROMWELL RIFLE VOLUNTEERS.

THE

ANNUAL INVITATION BALL

WILL BE HELD IN THE ATHENÆUM HALL, CROMWELL,

FRIDAY, 12th SEPTEMBER.

F. JEFFERY, Secretary.

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A Good HOTEL and STORE BUSINESS in an excellent situation and now doing a lucrative trade.

Satisfactory reasons given for selling.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,

Auctioneer and Agent.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PART-NERSHIP (if any) hitherto existing between us (WILLIAM WILLIAMS MASTERS and FREDERICK CHARLES MASTERS) has this day been DIS-SOLVED by mutual consent.

Dated this 28 h July, 1879.

WILLIAM W. MASTERS. F. C. MASTERS.

Witness to the signatures:

WESLEY TURTON, Solicitor, Queenstown.

SMITH AND STODART beg to intimate to the Public that they

HAVE OPENED

Those

WALL-KNOWN AND COMMODIOUS STABLES

(Late Starkey and Scally's),

And hope, by attention and civility, to merit a fair share of public patronage.

Buggies & Saddle Horses always on Hirf.

HORSES BROKEN IN, &c.

FEDICAL HALL DISPENSARY, MELMORE TERRACE, CROMWELL.

HENRY HOTOP,

Having purchased the Business lately conducted by Mr Max. Gall, begs to inform the residents of Cromwell, Clyde and the surrounding districts that he is now the only Dispensing Chemist in Vincent County, and that, to meet the require ments of his business, he has supplied himself with a Large Stock of

DRUGS, CHEMICALS & PATENT MEDICINES Of every description.

In connection with the above, H. HOTOP has also a most varied and choice Stock of

FANCY GOODS, PERFUMERY, SOAPS, COSMETICS, SCENTS.

That will well repay a visit of inspection.

STATIONERY & BOOKS.

Ledgers, Journals. Day and Minute Books, Writing Paper and Envelopes of all classes.

GENERAL NEWS AGENCY.

English, European and American Newspapers and Journals supplied to Subscribers at low rates, and sent post free all over the country.

> TOBACCOS & CIGARS (Choicest Brands).

N.B - As the business will be conducted under the immediate supervision of Mr H. Hotop, all those who may favor him with their commands may rely on every attention being paid them.

Prescriptions most carefully dispensed. Orders received from the Clyde portion of the district will be promptly attended to.

HENRY HOTOP. Cromwell.

NOTICE. POSTAL The next 'Frisco mail will close here on

Monday, 11th August, at noon. The next Suez mail will close here on Monday, 25th August, at noon.

W. WARD, Postmaster.





ROMWELL KILWINNING LODGE (S.C.)

The REGULAR MEETING will be held on WEDNESDAY EVENING, 6th August, at 8 o'eloek

By order of the R.W.M.

J. A. PRESHAW,

Secretary.

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Just received-

ANNUAL CONSIGNMENT OF NEW SEASON GARDEN SEEDS OF ALL KINDS.

Warranted Fresh and true to name. ARGUS SEED WAREHOUSE, CROMWELL.

Orders by letter promptly attended to.



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BANKRUPTCY.

In the Estate of TIMOTHY and PATRICK COTTER, of Cardrona, Storekeepers, Debtors.

Creditors are requested to prove their Claims on or before Monday, August 25th, otherwise they will not participate in a Dividend about to be declared.

All Debts due to the above must be paid before the 30th of August next, or proceedings will be taken to recover the same.

JOHN EDGAR.

Trustee.

Queenstown, 23rd July, 1879.

AND NORTHERN COLD-FIELDS CAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESPAY, AUGUST 5, 1879.

THAT the GREY Ministry should meet with defeat at the hands of the Opposition did not create any surprise in the minds of men who read the signs of the times, although it was not anticipated the Premier's following would dwindle down to such small proportions as to leave him in a minority of fourteen. But extreme surprise was felt and expressed by everyone when it was announced that the Governor had granted a dissolution of Parliament under circumstances which have had no parallel in New Zealand. The issue upon which the House divided was not one of policy, nor was there any great leading principle on which a difference of opinion existed. As was expressed clearly in the no-confidence motion, the charge against Ministers was one of neglect and mis-nanagement, and nothing more than this did the division of last Tuesday affirm. A majority of members voted the Premier and his colleagues incapable of satisfactorily carrying on the business of the country, and desired that more able administrators should take their position. Evidently every member of the Government, except the Premier, was willing to accept the adverse verdict and follow the usual course under such circumstances. But the perverseness of Sir George GREY manifested itself as usual-he insisted on having sufficient rope to hang himself, and he has got it in the shape of a dissolution. Of course, we grant that the securing of this desire does, for the time being, give the GREY party a considerable moral power, and which they will not be slow to exercise to the full; but we are much mistaken if the coming general elections do not prove a strong halter around the neck of the Knight of Kawau to strangle his political life. The Premier must be blind indeed not to see that he is the Jonan of his party, and the value of his patriotic sentiments may be judged from his strong personal clinging to power-so strong that to dislodge him it has been necessary also to sacrifice some really able men whom he dragged into the assailed position. He has been proved an absolute autocrat when in power, and has shown that he is selfish and ungrateful to those with whom he is associated, as there is reason to think that the House would have accepted the Government policy under other direction than that of Sir George Grey, had he con-

sented to retire. While we confess that we did not anticipate that a dissolution would be granted, we cannot say that it is matter for much regret to those who sympathise with the Opposition, especially looking at the conditions imposed by his Excellency. The circumstances of the Colony are such as to render the turmoil and expense of a general election most undesirable, and on this ground it is to be regretted. On the other hand, we firmly believe that the outcome of the appeal to the people will result in a very pronounced accession of strength to the Opposition ranks, and a sweeping away of many most undesirable elements in the constitution of the existing Parliament. Dissolution

means the death-knell of many of the

4th July, 1879.

present followers of the Premier, who may now give up all hope of again seeing the lobbies of the House, and it is almost certain their places will be filled by more able and independent men. Time-servers and placehunters will, it is to be hoped, go to the wall, and the people be represented by men who have the true interests of the country at heart. Such men are not always available, especially in up-country constituencies; but where such are found willing to devote themselves to honest and honorable legislation, they should receive the heartiest support from all classes. Unless the electors of Otago are true to themselves at the present juncture there is a great danger that the progression of important works now initiated may receive a check that will prove disastrous. The best choice of men must be made, so that the Provincial District may hold its own in Wellington. With the prospect of a five-million loan, the incoming Ministry will have in its hands the power to do great good, and, in view of this, Otago should be in such a position as to maintain her leading place in the colony. This will entirely depend on the men sent to Parliament by the approaching elections, and if the intelligence of the electors is only properly exercised, the Dissolution may mean to them great and meni-

fold advantages. At the present time it would be premature to say anything as to the action of the Dunstan electors. Nothing but the general facts are known to us, and until the men and the occasion are hefore the constituency it would obviously be bad tasts to pronounce any opinion as to the present member's acts or future intentions. It is almost certain Mr Pyke will again seek election, but whether without opposition does not yet seem clear.

In the confusion almost certain to ensue in the various Government departments, consequent on the present state of political affairs, it is not at all unlikely that the necessity for opening the lands recently surveyed in the Clutha Valley will be lost sight of unless the matter is persistently urged on the attention of the proper authorities. Some months have now passed since the surveys were completed, and the maps submitted to and approved by the Waste Lands Board, but no sign has been manifested of opening the blocks to the people. It may fairly be reckoned that the rigor of winter has passed, and with the advent of spring it would be well that intending settlers should be in a position to enter on their holdings and commence fencing and other preliminary work. As we pointed out some time back, a month lost now practically means throwing settlement back another year, and driving away still more of the men who have lingered in the district in hope of who have interest in the district in noise of securing a farm up the Valley. As the representative body most closely identified with the interests of this division, we would urge the Cromwell Borough Council to address the Minister of Lands showing, in forcible terms, the serious injury that will be inflicted on in i-viduals and loss to the district if immediate steps be not taken to declare the land open for selection. That good results will follow the Council's action we do not doubt, having in mind that by persistent writing a previous Council had much to do with expediting the opening of Mount Parker block some two years

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Dunedin, August 5, 1.5 a.m.

Ex-Librarian Cummock pleaded guilty to two charges of larceny. The arson case occupied the whole of yesterday. He re-ceived eight years for arson, and one year for larcenies.

Arrived: Ship Napier, from Glasgow, with

William Cook, John Main and James Austin, three lads charged with a criminal assault at Port Chalmers, were discharged.

ELECTION CANDIDATES. If DeLautour contests Port Chalmers, Macandrew stands for City. John M'Lean and Steward contest Oamaru. Henry Clark

opposes Murray for Bruce. Seymour George (Sir Geo. Grey's nephew) does not stand for Hokitika, having been asked to contest Mars-(for Dunedin), M'Indo, Barron and Seaton (for Caversham), and Fleming (for Clutha), are spoken of as likely candidates. John Hall resigns his seat in the Council and contests one of the Canterbury seats. Ballance opposes Fox for Wanganui.

POLITICAL INTELLIGENCE. On dit, there was a serious disagreement between Grey and the Governor through the latter insisting on the earliest possible appeal

to the country or resignation of Ministry. Last night's debate on the Loan Bill was very flat. Dr Wallis spoke strongly, but to an unsympathetic House. Murray spoke very briefly, and so did Rees. Saunders then followed in a brief speech. Sir George Grey, in replying, stated that if the elections were found to result unfavorably to Government, Ministers would probably at once tender their resignations, so that a Ministry commanding support of the majority might be formed and have time to prepare measures before meeting of the new Parliament.

The Loan Bill provides £3,490,000 for new works; £250,000 for purchase of Native lands; £100,000 for Lyttelton Harbor works; £360,000 for colonial defence; and £800,000 for redeeming guaranteed debentures.

Sheehan has brought down a Works Bill, but the Opposition will oppose it.

The elections are to take place the first week in September, and the new House to meet at the end of that month. Sir George Grey wanted four months' supply, but the Opposition would not grant it. Whitaker and Sheehan then arranged a compromise.

LATEST.

WELLINGTON.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT,)

This Day, 3.39 p.m. For telegraph to Wanaka £2,000 has been promised to be placed on the Estimates.

Work to be begun directly. The railway survey is to be commenced as soon as Engineer Blair can visit the district.

In Mouterie Block, 5,000 acres have been thrown open under agricultural lease. In the Poolburn only four sections under lease,

the remainder on deferred payment.

The House will probably be dissolved this week.

Blair's report condemns the Amberley-Brunnerton line, and recommends the line Amberley to Picton.

The Government offers to hand over Carrick Water Race to County Council.

Arrived: Ackermouth, from London. The House rises on Friday.

The Financial Statement will be made to-

Mosley and Dyer are candidates for Bruce.

At Fairfax, Alice Groves, a child aged 16 months, has died through a piece of bread sticking in her throat.

Cummock's sentence created astonishment, as from the Judge's opening remarks it was thought he would charge in the prisoner's favor, whereas he was strongly against him. Judge Johnston expressed astonishment when told Cummock got only six months for forgery in Canterbury.

LATEST BY CABLE.

Berlin, August 2.

Germany and the Vatican have at length come to an amicable agreement as to status of the priesthood and Catholic subjects of the empire.

[SPECIAL TO THE STAR].

Sir M. Hicks-Beach refused to produce reports on the defences of the Colonies as being prejudicial to the service.

The Court martial on Lieut. Carey (for deserting the Prince Imperial has been declared illegal, and its decision quashed.

INTERCOLONIAL.

SYDNEY, August 4. There is a great influx of visitors. French man-of-war full of exhibits arrived yesterday.

Lord Loftus (the new Governor) met with

an enthusiastic reception.

The Garonne has arrived at Adelaide, 45 days out with 415 passengers, including Bishop Selwyn.

The New Guinea Natives combined and made a ferocious attack on the missionary settlements. Missionaries escaped miracu-

On account of the late arrival of the mail to-day, we have to hold over our Alexandra letter and other matter of interest.

His Honor Judge Harvey will preside at the District Court in Cromwell on Thursday first. The only case set down for hearing is that of "C. Zeile and Co. v. E. Reid," claim for L100.—In the Bankruptcy Court one insolvent will make application for discharge.

Owing to a mishap at Teviot this morning, just as the coach was leaving, it was found impossible to start at the usual time. Mr Craig reached here about five o'clock this evening, bring the San Francisco mail. The Queenstown coach started off at once on arrival of Oraig, who pushed through with his characteristic perseverance.

At the Government inspection of Cromwell Volunteers on Wednesday last there was a good muster. Active drill was engaged in for an hour and a-half, the men displaying pro-ficiency in the various movements executed. Before dismissal, two new members were proposed and accepted. A meeting of the company was afterwards held when, among other business dealt with, it was decided to hold the annual Volunteer Ball on the evening of second Friday

The return rifle match between five men a-side of the Cromwell and Bannockburn Volunteers was fired on Welnesday last, at home butts. Unfortunately, however, the last-mentioned team fired at the 500 instead of the 600yds range, and consequently the match has to be contested again to-morrow. The Baunockburn men score | very much better than their opponents, and but for their mistake as to the last range would no doubt have been victors by a good many points.

We find the following paragraph in the Grey River Argus of 25th altimo. Can it possibly refer to William Rorrison, of Carrick Range and Bannockburn fame?—"Mr W. R. Buchan, a geologist connected with the Otago University, is at present on a visit to Grey-mouth for the purpose of inspecting and re-porting on the Langdon's line of reefs, and also on any other valuable mineral bearing rocks that may be in the district. We understand that Mr Buchan, after his inspection, will deliver a lecture on the value of the reefs on hehalf of a charitable purpose, should he have

After a season of severe and prolonged frost such as has not been experienced in the interior for the last 10 years, a welcome thaw set in on Sunday and still continues. The change is a grateful one to the mining community, who have suffered a long period of enforced idleness. This has been more generally the case at Banuockburn, where operations are almost entirely dependant on water supply from the higher country. There is reason to hope that the winter season is now broken, and that light frosts during the evenings will be the experience till Spring sets in fairly. Meanwhile miners throughout the district are setting in to make up for lost time.

Some news of local importance will be found in our telegrams from Wellington.

Martin Weiberg has been sentenced to five year's imprisonment for the gold robbery from the steamer Avoca.

Mr J. Anderson, Bannockburn, and Mr W. Bennett, Quartzville, have been appointed postmasters in the divisions named, respectively.

Mr H. Hotop has succeeded, and entered into the business hitherto carried on by, Mr Max Gall, as chemist and druggest in Cromwell. His advertisement in another column should be

It is stated on reliable authority that Mr Thomas Fergus, late Provincial Engineer, will contest the forthcoming election for the House of Assembly, for the Wakatipu district. We should fancy Mr Fergus' chance of election to be a first-class one.

The nuisance of cows, goats, and other animals wandering about the town is again becoming a source of annoyance, and we would recommend the local police authorities to give their owners a call. Now that people are beginning to put their gardens in order it is more than ever necessary that vagrant cattle should be kept within bounds.

The Herald learns on good authority, that the Rev. Dr Stuart will probably take a year's leave of absence from Knox Church, to go Home for a trip early next year. This will enable him to be present at the annual meetings of the General Assemblies in Scotland, and also at the Pan-Presbyterian gathering in the United States.

Assessment Courts for hearing objections to the valuation of land under "The Land Tax Act, 1878," will be held by Major Keddell, Act, 1878," will be held by Major Redden, Judge, as follows:—For Vincent County, at the Court-house, Clyde, on Thursday, 7th August; for the Borough of Alexandra, at the Court-house there, on Tuesday, 12th August; and for the Borough of Cromwell, on next Friday, 8th instant. In each case, the Court opens at 11

The planet Venus, now so conspicuous in the western evening sky, has attained such brilliancy as to be visible to the naked eye in broad daylight on clear afternoons. Its brilli-ancy will increase until August 19th, after which date its approach to the sun, with which it will be in conjunction on September 24th will lessen its brightness as seen from the earth. On the 16th July the planet was at its greatest apparent distance from the sun, about $45\frac{1}{2}$ degrees.

A good idea of the lowness of the Clutha River at the present time was afforded on Saturday last. It will be recollected that some months ago a dray belonging to Mr Frennesson went over the bank near the County offices and was precipitated into the river. Of course the vehicle was given up for lost, but to his astonishment the other other day Mr Frennesson from the bridge perceived dimly through the water the outline of his cart. The owner determined to make an effort to recover his property, and having procured suitable hooking apparatus, a strong rope, and two or three willing assistants, the wheels and axle of the dray were fished out and hauled high and dry. One wheel had suffered severely by the fall, and the hody had entirely disappeared. At the Cromwell bridge, the Clutha is fully 40 feet below the flood-mark

The Kawarau River has reached a lower level than has been seen since the days of the "first rush." Strange to say, notwithstanding this, there is little or no mining going on along the banks in this district, although lower down the Molyneux, especially near Teviot, a large number of Chinese are at work. Whether it is that European miners have lost faith in the richness of our rivers, or that the patronage of the County authorities is more sought after, we cannot say, but certainly if river working is ever to be profitably undertaken, the present seems an exceptionally good chunce to turn it to account. That gold still exists in payable quantities is evident from the fact that a Crom-well resident tried the bank of the Clutha with well resident tried the bank of the Clutha with the result that a short day's work yielded L1 worth of gold. Knowing this, it is difficult to account for the cry raised in some quarters on behalf of the "unemployed," and more difficult to see how men prefer 8s or 10s a-day for road-work to 20s earned with the cradle, and the chance of dropping on a "patch."

The Tuapeka Times of Wednesday says :- Our obituary to-day records the death of Mr George Smith, of Waipori. Deceased was well known throughout the goldfields, where he had for many years followed the calling of a hawker He had many good qualities, amongst which not the least was his musical talent, which was often brought into requisition, during his perigrinations, at concerts, dances, &c. He had returned to Lawrence from an up-country tour, very ill, and was received into the local Hospital. He never rallied, and died there on Friday last, 25th inst. As an evidence of the respect in which he was held by his townsmen, we may mention that his funeral was attended by upwards of 20 gentlemen from Waipori, three whom came all the way on foot. Considering the fact that the track is eighteen inches deep in snow, and the road all but impassable, this shows the great esteem in which Mr Smith was

WARDEN'S COURT.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1. (Before Major Keddell, Warden.) APPLICATIONS.

Extended Claims.—C. Tippet and another, 2 acres, and Jas. Ritchie and another, 2 acres, Poverty Gully; R. Thomasson and another, 2 acres, West bank Kawarau; Mah Sim and another, 2 acres, east bank Clutha ;-granted.

Protection. - Henry Story, Pipeclay Terrace, 90 days-granted. Water Race-An application by Mah Sim and

another for water-race at Brewery Creek, Crom-well road, objected to by Jas. Gibson, was withdrawn.

Tail Race - Chas. Tippett and another,

Poverty Gully—granted.

Special Site.—Sam Williams, Smith's Gully.

was granted a site of half-an-aore for storing

BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Theordinary meeting of the Borough Council was held in the Town Hall on Friday, 1st instant. Present—The Mayor, Crs Dawkins, Behrens, Murrell, Pretsch and Scott.

Minutes of previous ordinary and special meetings were read and confirmed.

Outward correspondence was read and approved.

Inward correspondence was read and acted upon as follows :-

A letter from the County Clerk, stating that the proportion of subsidy to the Hospital, according to rateable value, would be £17 5s 6d, and that on this amount being paid, the County Treasurer would remit £50 voted.—Resolved that the sum of £17 5s6d be paid into the Hospital account as a subsidy.
On a letter from the County Engineer,

calling the attention of the Council to the leakage of waterpipes on the Cromwell bridge, the Clerk was instructed to reply that every precaution should be taken to prevent any leakage from the pipes.

A letter was read from Mr Vincent Pyke, enclosing a copy of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives, pointing out the necessary procedure for bringing a Bill into the House for the purpose of narrowing Melmore Terrace.

After considerable discussion, Cr Pretsch moved, and Cr Murrell seconded—"That the solicitor to the Corporation be instructed to take the necessary steps to draft a Bill and to give the required notices, according to the Standing Orders."

On a division, there voted for the motion Crs Pretsch, Behrens, Murrell and the Mayor; against-Crs Scott and Dawkins .-The motion was carried.

An amendment, moved by Cr Dawkins and seconded by Cr Scott, that no steps be taken in the matter, was lost.

The report of the Cemetery Committee was then submitted as follows:-

To the Borough Council, Cromwell.

Your Committee has the honor to report that, after carefully considering the whole matter upon which it has been asked to report, it is desirable a selection of ten acres be made at the foot of the rise between Cromwell and the Gorge, at the south side of the road: and it advises that the district surveyor be asked to survey the same, and the Government be asked to reserve the land and grant it to the Borough Council as a cemetery site; and that the present cemetery be closed, except to those who have already purchased ground therein.

It was resolved that the report be adopted. The Returning Officer's account for £2 2s was passed for payment.

In accordance with notice, Cr Dawkins moved and Cr Behrens seconded—"That tenders be called for pitching and gravelling about 19 chains of the main road-from the corner of Mr Grant's fence to the top of the rise along Melmore Terrace.'

Cr Scott moved and Cr Murrell seconded-"That the matter stand over until the next meeting of the Council."—Carried.

On a notice of motion by the Mayor, that the financial position of the Corporation be considered, with the object of making provision for liquidating the bank overdraft and placing the Corporation accounts upon a legal footing, as required by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876,"

Cr Behrensmoved and Cr Murrell seconded "That the Mayor and Town Clerk go through the accounts, so as to strike an equitable balance between the general account and the water-rate account, and bring up a report at next meeting of the Council."

It was resolved that the Town Clerk write to the Colonial Secretary, asking him to obtain a statement of the accounts of the Cemetery trust.

MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1. (Before Major Keddell, R. M.)

F. Lamont, carrier, charged with a breach of Borough by laws, in leaving his team untended in Melmore-street, was fined 2s, with 7s costs.

CIVIL CASE.

Corporation of Cromwell v. Brown—Claim for L40, amount of rent alleged to be due in respect of land said to have been leased from the Corporation. Mr Blood for plaintiffs. Defendant conducted his own case, and contended that the Corporation had failed to carry out a stipulation leasing the property to him, wherefore he pleaded not indebted. He had purchased the property as having a bona fide leasehold title running 10 years, whereas he found that no such title existed or could be given by plaintiffs. A form of lease had been handed to him for execution, but plaintiffs after-wards confessed imbility to proceed with it. Had made an offer to the Corporation to pay any moneys due, subject to rates paid being deducted, as in a recent judgment against another occupant, who held under a stamped agreement. This offer, made without prejudice, had been refused.

Mr Blood, while confessing absence of title, contended that, having used and occupied the land, defendant was liable to pry such sum for use and occupation as had been agreed upon between the plaintiffs and defen lant's predecessor. A: to the remission of rates, counsel held that the law in that respect had been repealed, and also that a corporation stool in a different re-lation from other landlords.

After hearing further evidence, embracing a complete history of the land in dispute, his Worship said he would look carefully into the whole in itter and give judgment on a future

ARROWTOWN

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

August 4.
The nett proceeds of Mr Burrell's concert, in aid of the Athenseum funds, amounted to the nice little sum of £27.

The weather for the past week has been something exceptionally severe in the frost line. Day after day dawned with bitter frost, which even the midday sun failed to counteract, and the grim king resumed his severe reign as soon as the sun had sunk behind the hills. Little or no work could be done, and all water receptacles refused to give up their contents. The necessary element had to be drawn from the river in improvised carts, kegs mounted on sledges, &c.; the want of water adding very much to the general discomfort experienced on account of the keen The greatest advantage to be derived from the intense cold is that it will congeal the snow on the hills and prevent it, to some extent at least, coming down in great masses in the spring and summer months.

A petition is being circulated, and numerously signed, bringing before the powers that be the claims of Messrs Lorenzo and Antonio Resta to a modicum of the reward for prospecting displayed as looming in the distance. The original "first" prospector is involved in deep mystery, and although the reward has developed quite a swarm of them, including "Oily Dan" of your town, the question is still very far from a satisfactory solution. Whatever claims Messrs Resta may have to be considered the first prospectors, there can not be the slightest doubt but that to their energy and perseverance the present prosperous condition of the reefs is mainly attributable, and it was Mr L. Resta who erected the first crushing machine at Macetown.

The Presbyterian Church at Queenstown had a narrow escape of being burnt down last week. It appears that J. Mitcherlich, junr., who acts as sacristan to the church, after having lit the lamps went to ring the church bell, and upon his return to the body of the church found it full of smoke, which appeared to come from the place where the kerosene is kept. On opening the locker flames burst forth, but assistance being at hand, the fire was quickly subdued. surmised that a match thrown down without being extinguished, or a spark from the This candle, was the cause of the fire. accident furnishes another warning, and adds one more argument to the necessity of a water-supply, for had the church caught fire the block of buildings of which it forms a part could hardly have escaped from being reduced to ashes. The accident had such an effect upon the mind of the sacristan that it completely upset him, and he had to be taken to the lunatic asylum. Another very welcome addition of books

has just been made to our library, upwards of 80 volumes being added to the stock in hand. The institution is in a very flourishing condition, and is well supported by the intelligence of the district.

I have been requested by G. B. Douglas Esq., of Macetown, I believe, to correct a mistake I made in a recent letter. It appears that Mr G. B. Douglas acts as Messrs Davidson and Co.'s foreman, and not Mr Watson, as stated; but that gentleman was engaged by Mr Douglas to put together the machine supplied by Messrs Davidson and Co., and a better choice Mr Douglas could not well have made. The high tribute paid by him to Mr Watson on the occasion of the christening of the All Nations machine, about two years ago, is creditable alike to both parties. Mr Douglas referred to Mr Watson as the best engineer in Otago, while he modestly put himself down as one of the best blacksmiths in Otago. "Credit to whom credit is due."

Your "own" has been taken to task by the Arrow Observer, whose clever editor has an ingenious way of avoiding mistakes, which consists of never publishing any local news at all, and chiefly depending on reprints from other papers. He now and then indulges in pecks at other papers, taking upon himself the character of a censor, and by a dash or two of cant phrases, gives himself the air of a sage, reminding one of the bird in the fable. I have no desire to detract from the merits of anyone, and when referring to Mr Resta as the manager of the Tipperary, I was well aware that Mr Cameron had charge of the mine under Mr Resta's direction, and it is possible that the sphere of the mine manager extended over other parts of the work during Mr Resta's recent illness.

Speaking of the Tipperary claim, I may mention that the contract between the company and Messrs Davidson and Co. provides that the machine be completed in six weeks, commencing on the 26th ult.

We have election on the brain pretty bad already, and what it will be when the climax is reached it is hard to conceive. Amongst the host of Richmonds in the field, the names of Mr Manders (our present representative), Mr Fergus (of Henderson and Fergus, Dunedin, and late Provincial Engineer), Mr Finn, Mr Mason, Mr Boyce (all of Queenstown), Mr Innes and Mr Grüber (both of Arrowtown), and several other gentlemen are mentioned. Mr Beetham, our late Warden, was also spoken of as a likely candidate, but a letter from that gentleman has arrived, stating that he has no intention of contesting an election. Of all the host of rumored wocers, Messrs Fergus and Manders are the ones who have declared themselves candi-

dates for the sweet voices of the electors.

The force of circumstances has just received another illustration in our timber trade, the local mill owners having reduced the price of timber to below that of Invercargill lumber.

BENDIGO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

August

By your issue of the 22nd ult. I noticed that another quarter has run out, and that it is time for subscriptions to be renewed. Some of your friends are unreasonably behind in their payments. It is to be hoped that they will now attend to their duty, and supply you promptly with the needful. Because the quarterly subscription is small, many imagine that there is not much need for hurry in coming "down with the dust." This would be all very well if those small amounts were only two or three, but when they make two or three thousands, the sum thus represented is very large. It is surely too bad that you should be supplying your paper—which they profess to like; in fact, cannot do without—for years without an acknowledgment in the shape of cash. However, I am satisfied that Bendigo subscribers are not amongst the defaulters' catalogue.

Mr Samuel Gorman, travelling instructor in the use of Nobel's dynamite, visited this place last week, and spent a whole day in the Cromwell Company's mine, in which he made very successful experiments, firing a dozen or more shots, all of which proved the most sceptical the superiority of Nobel's dynamite over all rival explosives in hard or wet country. After leaving the mine Mr Gorman placed a small cartridge on a disk and cam, both of wrought iron and both several inches in thickness, and when the shot was fired the result was astonishing, for the iron was left in small fragments. That the manager was well satisfied with the result of the day's experiments it only remains to be stated that he gave an order for the compound, which he intends to use occasionally in future. Mr Gorman is a practical miner, and the firm for which he is travelling have in him a very eligible person to recommend their "giant" explosive.

Now that I am writing about mining explosives it may naturally be thought I should say something about mining news generally, which at present is scarce, and nothing new to report since my last; in fact, mining at Bendigo reefs is solely confined to the Cromwell Company's operations at the present time, upon which I shall refrain from making any remarks, as so many elaborate reports have of late appeared in several papers, giving minute details of both mine and machinery and the permanency of everything connected therewith.

The Mersey, at Thompson's Creek, remains in an undeveloped condition, owing to the severe frost and snow, which have prevailed thereabouts ever since the discovery was made—some three months ago—so that no further prospecting could be done; but the party have not in the slightest degree relaxed their confidence in this late discovery, but, on the strength thereof, some of them have commenced to flood the lower levels, and will make a fresh start as soon as the weather permits.

Now that I have directed my thoughts towards frost and snow, I am painfully reminded of the unprecedented severity of the winter through which we are now passing; its equal has never been experienced in Bendigo—nothing but frost and snow during the past 10 weeks—at the end of which we are to have another great flood—at least so say the merchants of your own town, and accordingly warn us to prepare for the deluge by laying up for ourselves large stocks of their merchandise before the punts are swept away or left unworkable.

Some few weeks ago a traveller from Blacks to Bendigo informed me that a portion of the track in the vicinity of Thompson's Creek had slipped away, leaving a perpendicular precipice of about 200ft or 300ft, over which the unwary one was likely to fall, in all probability to be taken up dead. A pack-horse laden with provisions found a last resting-place at the spot indicated, and the man in charge had a narrow escape from sharing a similar fate. The County Council or its predecessor has acknowledged the necessity for a road there, in that they have already made a track, and it may reasonably be expected that the matter will be looked to at once, before more serious accidents occur.

Our school is now organised and in full working order, though somewhat diminutive in size, but we expect with the spring an increase of scholars. The children are making perceptible progress under the diligent and efficient instruction of Mr Johnson, A marked change is visible among the scholars in their behaviour and conversation, evidencing that the real work of education has taken root. So far as I am capable of judging, far too many scientific subjects are taught in public schools, but our hope is for the future when it will be proved by generally elevating the intelligence and character of the rising generation. Education ought in its fullest sense to be a potent, living force for raising the masses to higher purposes and loftier We are fully convinced that our teacher is aiming for such-nay, more; for it is almost incredible the progress the children have already made under his tuition.

The unemployed of Vincent County have at least one faithful and philanthropic friend in the Council to plead and redress their grievances; but he seems to be entirely ignorant of the use to which these men put the money thus earned. We had a very fair sample here of the manner in which it is appropriated by many of them, when some 23 County daymen got their pay. Immediately afterwards most of them repaired to the nearest whisky shops and knocked it down right off; some of them soon after took a moonlight trip, without even leaving their compliments to the local storekeeper, who

had supplied them with provisons for some months previously. So quickly did they spend their money that our own young men were entirely in the shade, and only looked on in silent wonderment.

I am not alone in thinking that the time has arrived when Bendigo should have a resident policeman, the population having increased considerably of late. If Cardrona and Clyde can support several police officers between them, surely the importance of this place should command some little consideration from the powers that be. To prove an officer is required I need only mention that since I last wrote to your paper some of our civilians have had to do the duty allotted to the gentlemen dressed in blue, and for which they were not in anywise compensated, but were severely reprimanded by the "beak" were severely reprimanded by the " for their gratuitous officiousness. While penning these remarks I do not in the least degree cast reflections upon the police officers of your own town—either past or present but they have sufficient to do elsewhere, and cannot be expected to do much duty some 14 miles from their station. In further support of the necessity that exists for a "limb of the law" being stationed here I might mention another case, where a "gaol-bird" lately liberated took up his residence amongst us, and gave out that he was himself some great one. Flashing his cheque-book, on the strength of which he borrowed money, he afterwards began to issue valueless pieces of paper therefrom, and when he had done a good stroke in that line he departed in peace for pastures fresh. Besides all this, I think many who became gutter-inspectors too frequently would be deterred therefrom through dread of being taken before the "beak." Our rum is very strong: whether we put more blue vitriol, potash, turpentine, and copperas, in it than others, I cannot say, but this I do say fearless of contradiction, we need either a resident parson or policeman—or both; the former to teach us the divine law, and the latter to enforce the moral law.

Original Correspondence.

[We do not identify ourselves with the opinions expressed by correspondents.]

THE NEVIS MAILMAN.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS.

Sir,—Will you be kind enough to find space for a few remarks in answer to some one at the Nevis, who does not wish his name to be made public.

I wish the Nevis inhabitants in general to know that I contract with the Government to carry mails, and not be the bearer of old woman's yarns; for, as "Fevis" says, "a Chinaman cannot speak a word of English." I suppose the late marriage of their respected bullock-driver is getting too stale a subject for the large betting community to get a new hat ou. If "Nevis" takes such a lively interest in my affairs, and wishes to cause any more sensation, they know "Old Bob" well enough to know that it is not giving him a chance to attack him with the pen, but let "Nevis" interview him personally.—Yours, &c.,

Cromwell, July 31st, 1879.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—In your last issue I noticed a letter signed "Nevis." the last paragraph of which is intended to cast grave reflections on our muil contractor, in that he employs a heathen Chinee to carry her Majesty's mail to the Nevis mountain fastnesses. According to the writer's own showing, his cause of complaint is that the Chinaman (whether Christian or heathen, I know not) is not willing to stop by the way gossipping with men of the "Nevis" stamp. I presume it is the same mail carrier who is similarly em-ployed between Cromwell and Bendigo, and I only speak the sentiments of all letter writers in these parts when I state that a more obliging man, whether European or Chinaman, never preceded him. If all her Majesty's mails were as safely conveyed and as punctually delivered as those entrusted to the Chinaman, few, if any, would have cause to complain. Nevis com-menced his epistle truthfully when he said "we have little news to communicate." This he fully demonstrates in his very uncalled for attack on the mail-carrier, simply because he happens to be a Chinaman. Should "Nevis" again he 14ft ladder and "turn up of his eyes" heavenward, he might view matters in a different aspect, as "God made of one flesh all nations that dwell on the face of the earth.'

Apologising for the length of my leter, I am, kc., Bendigo.

August 4.

THE STATE OF PUBLIC OPINION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS IN ARROWTOWN.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS. SIR, -Several circumstances which have lately transpired here in the public atmosphere, and which attract considerable attention, are deserving of a close and careful scrutiny. The reason why I go out of the district with what pretends to be an exposition of purely local affairs is that the Press of this place is, and has for some time past been, ruled by a narrow family clique, which has invaded the editor's sauctum and taken sole possession of it. Public opinion outside this clique is denied exposition in its columns, the main object of which appears to be to crush out every opposition and extol its own questionable virtues and ability. The following reasons have led me to the above conclusions : The reports of the public meetings which have taken place here during the past two years have not been true representations of what really did occur, and what was said at them; but they have been doctored up so as to serve the purposes of the ruling clique. Reports of committee meetings, at which neither the editor nor the reporter of the Arrow Observer was present, and which were extracted from the minute books of

such committees, kindly furnished by responsible

secretaries, have been known to be materially altered for the same purpose. Though perhaps

of less importance, this item of evidence should not be too lighly dismissed, as I am in a position to furnish documentary proof of its correctness. Letters for the open columns of the Arrow Observer, if in the least inimical to the editor or his clique, though otherwise eminently apropos, have been either crowded out or held over until the occasion for them had gone by. Add to this the utter indifference to local affairs, however great their public importance, as evinced by the sparcity of local news, and the total absence of leaders—though there are subjects to suggest them of almost weekly occurrence—and it is not difficult to discover that the editor is both deaf and dumb, and I may add blin! to the best interests of those amongst whom his lot is cast. By keeping the above facts before their mind's eye, those readers who deign this epistle with a perusal will more readily understand what is to follow.

In answer to why I did not address my complaints to another quarter, I must at once state that I scorn to act the part of an informer, and that I consider the interests of the public of the highest importance. If there be any one whom these remarks more particularly concern, they will reach him as safely through the columns of your paper as the post-office.

Time allows me to revert to only one or two subjects before I close for the present, and one is the manner in which the narrow-minded clique spoken of bids for popularity. Their mode is the clumsiest and lowest of all, namely that of defamation and throwing mud at their opponents, or those they desire to injure in public estimation. Amongst these attempts stands first and foremost that of an individual well-known in your quarter, who tried to impugn the veracity of Dr Douglas at a late public meeting, than whom there is scarcely a man in this district who enjoys a higher reputation as a man and gentleman of unimpeachable veracity and honesty. That this rather ill-advised attack should fall back with a crushing weight upon the nondescript individual from whom it emanated will not surprise any one, and though he do let off rhetoretical fireworks by the column, they can only serve to reveal his own defects in the most glaring light.

Grave as 1 have shown the corruption of the local press to be, it is only fair to mention the corruption of cliquism, which, though of recent development has in its growth totally pervaded the local medium of public opinion. Under such circumstances only could it be possible that a small coterie of individuals dared to attempt to invite a public meeting to give counte-nance to its ways, which were dark. I refer to the late public meeting re the Morven Ferry -a job so hadly done that it was felt as far off as Skipper's (vide Wakatip Mail, 19th instant). Nor was this all. All rules of consistency and decency, which ought to characterise public proceedings, were set at defiance. The Mayor of Arrowtown, as such, lent himself to call meeting for the avowed purpose of "compelling" the County Council to throw open the punt free of charge. The Mayor also presided, though not a ratepayer. A proposition and an amendment were proposed, when there voted seven for the amendment and two for the proposition out of a meeting of at least 150 persons. Yet the amendment was accepted by the Chairman, and the question suggests itself, Was it not because it suited him and those who put him in the position he occupied? It certainly cannot be said that it was in accordance with the feeling of the meeting, and had the chairman understood his business, he would not have accepted a proposition on such flimsy support as an expression of public opinion. But perhaps he was intimidated, and dared not act independently. The opposition the little scheme for "instantly" buying the punt met with, it is true, failed for want of organisation; but, nevertheless, they did good work, and to a certain extent opened the eyes of the meeting to the charade being enacted before their eyes, and which they were asked to applaud. From the character of the conspirators, it was to be expected that the opposition would be persecuted with a vengeance, and no quarter given; but, like all such mad onslaughts, it failed on account of its blindness and mad vehemence, only bringing disgrace upon their own heads. The secretary of the Athe-neum having taken part with the opposition, he was selected as the object on which to vent their The five ring-leaders of the punt scheme wrath. requested the committee of the Athenæum to dismiss the secretary, giving for their reasons complaints in which the committee could not This request was accompanied by the interfere. threat that, if the secretary be not dismissed, the five ring-leaders referred to would empty the vials of their wrath on the institution with which he was connected and withdraw their support from it. The Arrow Observer having lent its aid in the job, of course had to take part this prove more clearly than anything else that something was crooked, for no reasoning being would behave himself as our five confrere did, had the suspicions raised been founded upon It was the truth having seen the light of day that annoyed them and caused the uneasiness. The Arrow Observer, the worthy exponent of public opinion in the Arrow, attempted to teach the Athenæum Committee its duty, altogether forgetting its own by lending its aid to gag the free expression of public opinion, the basis and soul of an independent Press. I prefer to let the curtain drop on the foul tableau, not to outrage the feelings of rightthinking people.

It is easy for me to understand that it must be invidious to you to an extent to publish these remarks, yet I ask you to do so in the interest of the freedom of public opinion, and with a view to preserve its healthy character. With your permission, I may make a remark by way of conclusion in a last short letter.—I am, &c.,

JOHN A. MILLER.

Arrowtown, July 24, 1879.

The unprecedented calamities caused by the floods, and the very serious losses sustained throughout this district, render it more than ever satisfactory to W. Talbovs, of the London House, that he is in a position to mitigate the evil to some degree by offering his Drapery and Groceries at exceedingly low prices. His Groceries, of which he has laid in a large stock, are quoted in another column fully 25 per cent. below ordinary retail rates. The drapery prices are bearing fruit every day. — W. Talbovs, London House, Cromwell.—[Advt.]

PROVINCIAL AND COLONIAL SAN FRANCISCO MAIL NEWS.

Mr C. S. Reeves has been appointed a member of the Waste Lands Board, vice the hon, J. W. Thomson.

It is more than likely that the approaching general elections will be decided by the new rolls, which take effect on September 1.

The Mayor of Dunedin has forwarded to the Lord Provost of Glasgow a draft for L300, the amount collected in Otago towards the Glasgow Bank Relief Fund.

It is understood that the Hon. Mr Macandrew will receive a requisition from the electors of Port Chalmers, asking him to represent that district in the new Parlia-

The Roman Catholics at Christchurch have started a home for domestic servants out of employment. At a meeting held on the 28th subscriptions to the extent of L200 were promised.

It is reported on good authority that Sir George Grey has expressed himself in favor of, amongst other reforms, the system obtaining in America, by which the civil servants are changed with every change of Govern-

It may interest many of our readers to know that during his residence in Otago the Rev. Dr Stuart has married 2204 couples, and baptised over 10,000 infants. On one occasion at Naseby he baptised 21 in one

Regarding the application from Naseby for the establishment of a local district high school, the Board of Education last week expressed its opinion that there were many other districts having a stronger claim on it, and decided not to grant the application.

The wreck of the Ann Gambles and what remained of her cargo changed hands for the third, and probably the last, time on the 29th ult., when Messrs Macrorie and Cuthbertson of Invercargill disposed of the lot for 30 shillings!

The Government have requested Sir Julius Vogel either to sever his official connection with the colony or to resign his position as director of the New Zealand Land and Agricultural Company, on the ground that both positions are incompatible.

The death is announced of Mr David Marchbanks, who was one of the oldest servants connected with the Public Works Department in Otago. He was for many years the chief inspector of works under the department.

On Tuesday last an elderly woman named Janet Dalziel was killed on the railway line between Dunedin and Balclutha. She had heen slightly affected by drink, and is supposed to have sat down on the rail and fallen asleep. The body was fearfully mutilated.

Two men named Smith and Morrison have been missing for some days from Rullesly station in the Timaru district, and are supposed to have perished in the snow. Smith was one of the owners of the station, and 19 years old. Morrison was a shepherd, and leaves a wife and five children unprovided

A murderous affray recently took place in one of the dens of Sydney. A man and his wife held another man down while a second woman inflicted a blow on his head with a tomahawk. Another woman in endeavouring to prevent his having a second blow received a ghastly wound in her hand. The three assailants have been committed for

The police establishments at Okarito and Jackson's Bay are now discontinued. Constable Bridgman, from Okarito, has arrived in Hokitika, and Sergeant Barrett is expected from Jackson's Bay per the next boat. There is a magistrate at each of those places, but no policeman. Whether the R.M.'s are expected to perform the duties of constables or no, we (Hokitika Star) are not in a position

A telegram in the Lyttelton Times says that immediately after the Government defeat there was posted up on the outside door of the House of Representatives the notice -" Rats: тоцомив written Green, Hobbs, Oliver, Pyke, Rowe, Wakefield, Saunders, Cutten, Baigent, Kelly.' The incident created a great sensation. The author is understood to be Mr J. C. Brown. Sir R. Douglas and Colonel Whitmore tore the notice down.

The Maoris at present located on the Waitaki are causing serious loss and trouble to the owners of sheep near their camping grounds. On the Omarama Station alone the loss through the worrying of sheep by dogs is estimated by the manager at £500. Sufficient time has elapsed since Mr Sheehan interviewed the Natives camped on the station to have carried his threat of compelling them to quit the neighborhood into execution. Something should be done at once.

We (Auckland Star) were not prepared to find that 42 per cent. of the population of this comparatively young colony is native to the soil, but so it is. The young New Zealanders number 174,126. Next to these come English, 106,496; Scotch, 47,949; Next to these Irish, 43,758; Australians, 16,091; other British possessions, 3,554; Wales, 1,702; Germans, 4,649; French, 737; other European countries, 6,803; United States, 714; Chicaron Countries, 6,803; United States, 714; Chinese, 4,424. In Otago the Scotch element preponderates, with 26,444; English, 19,933; Irish, 10,825. In Canterbury the figures are: English, 30,454; Irish, 10,849; Scotch, 7,631. In Auckland: English, 21,452; Irish, 10,431; Scotch, 5,506. Wellington: English 15. lish, 15,518; Irish, 3,580; Scotch, 3,352.

A terrible colliery explosion occurred at High Blantyre, near Glasgow, on July 3rd. Thirtyone men were down the pit at the time of the explosion. Four men were burned alive. Twenty-three bodies were recovered during the dav.

The Orentes, with the body of the Prince Imperial, arrived at Madeira on June 5th, and was escorted part of the way Home by the

Prince Jerome Bonaparte is the present head of the dynasty. He declares his respect for the Republic, and will not become a pretender to the throne. The Imperialists look to his son Prince Nitor as leader.

The Queen and Royal family visited the ex-Empress Eugenie at Chiselhurst.

The Duke of Cambridge and Earl of Beaconsfield made an affecting reference to the Prince Imperial in the House of Lords. A national memorial is to be erected to his memory.

Port Autofogasta, in Chili, was bombarded by the war-ship Huasco, but she only silenced the fort, and then steamed rapidly away, Chilian

ironclads appearing in the offing.

There is strong opposition to Lesseps' Darien
Canal project in the United States.

General Grant is likely to visit Australia. Lightning caused 500,000 dollars' worth of petroleum to take fire off Cape Breeze, Pensylvania. Five ships were burned.
A six-day's walking match in London was

won by Weston, the American.

The International rowing match on the Tyne was won by Hanlon, the Canadian, Sixty persons were wounded and 18 killed

during tax riots in Sicily. Ten persons were killed by a severe earth-

quake in Sicily on June 17th. Trade is generally reviving in America and

Lord Loftus was interviewed by New York reporters concerning affairs at St. Petersburg. After visiting Niagara Falls, he proceeded, via Detroit, to Chicago. At Michigan City the train went off the rails, and narrowly escaped a

serious accident. He also visited Salt Lake. Lady Frere sent the news of the death of the Prince Imperial to Lord Sydney, entrusting him with the melancholy duty of breaking it to

mother. The Queen approved of Lord Sydney met the cure, and they together told the broken-hearted mother that she was now alone in the world. The private secretary of Eugenie telegraphed to the Duchess of Sutherland early on the 21st of June that she remained in a semi-conscious condition, and the Duchess hastened to her.

The Paris papers generally expressed great sympathy over the bereavement of the Empress, but treated the Prince's death as the end of Imperialism in France. The news excited a profound impression in Berlin and Vienna, and the Imperial Courts went into mourning for 10

Upon the return of the Princess of Wales from Chiselhurst, the Queen paid Eugenie a visit in person. When she took her leave of the Empress, and entered her carriage, she was

At the Roman Catholic churches in London, prayers were offered for the repose of the soul of the late Prince.

A mob surrounded the place where the Imperialists were assembled on the night of June 25th, and as they began coming out, assailed them with cries of "Hurrah for the Zulus! Down with the Imperialists!" Street fights occurred, and the police quelled them with

The Duke of Cambridge sanctions the raising of subscriptions in the army for a national memorial to the Prince.

The Empress Eugenie signifies her intention of retiring to a convert near Burgh for some months after the funeral.

The Peruvian ironclad ram Huaskar recently bombarded Antagonista, silencing the shore batteries, which are armed with heavy Krupp The Peruvian vessel failed in the object of attack, which contemplated the destruction of the water-condensers necessary for the garrison and town which is the base of the Chilian army of invasion. The Chilians had 48 hours' notice of attack, and protected the condensers with bags filled with sand. The Hunsker captured two Chilian ships copper-laden, and sent them to Callao. She cut the cable connecting Antagonista with Caldena, and sailed to Iquiqe, from whence she had hardly escaped when the Chilian squadron, which had gone to Callao, appeared in offing. The Huaskar's superior speed enabled her to escape after exchanging harmless shots. Admiral William Riballi with the Chilian fleet approached Callao to encounter the Feruvians, when he learnt that the Peruvian fleet had gone south with President Praoda, who was landed at Anea. During their absence the Esmeralda was rammed by the Huaskar, and sank. Captain Thomson, of the Esmeralda, sprang on the deck of the Huaskar, followed by 25 men, all of whom fell fighting on the enemy's ship. Thomson was a

Chilian of British descent. With reference to the Panama Isthmus Canal, Lesseps has just signed a treaty giving him a concession of the Isthmus. A new company will be immediately constituted, with a capital of 40,000,000 francs. In a long conversation, Lesseps repudiated all intervention on the part of the Government were such intended. He said he fully recognised the truth of the statement that the United States were entitled to exercise a large and important influence in the management of the canal. He declared that the enterprise had no character of special nationality, but was a private speculation, though universal in its utility. Paris was accepted as the centre of operations merely because the French laws are severe, and offer greater security to shareholders on account of greater control over the administrators of the funds. Lessers proposes to offer to give General Grant the position of honorary president of the company. Two million francs were subscribed in Paris on the first call. M. de Lessops states that they can now go and obtain concessions from the Columbian Government, and begin the work He lectured at Amicus, and stated that the first sed of the Panama Canal would be turned on July 1st, 1880, and with 40,000 navvies, including some Chinese, and 15,000 Brazilian negroes, the work should be completed in eight years.

AMERICAN ITEMS.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 7. New York papers declare that the States will never permit Europeans to acquire control in the inter-oceanic canal, and the States are strong enough to enforce their will against European Powers.

Fourteen person were killed by the effects of a tornado which passed over Dakota, Iowa, and Marieta on July 3rd, principally by lightning. The force of the wind, hail, and rain was tornific and the middle of the wind. terrific, and there was great destruction of

Lord Loftus, who is a passenger to Sydney to assume the Governorship of New South Wales, was interviewed in New York by reporters. He stated that the Russian Nihilist movements embraced literally all the writers, students, and educated classes of Russia who were opposed to the present form of government, and many others who dislike the system of bribery and corruption existing. They would hail with delight changes from whatever source they came. The peasants are intensely loyal, and a revolution in Russia was impossible while the army continues loyal.

Americans are making great efforts to secure Australian trade.

Harvesting in California is well forward. The crops are excellent.

Arrangements are being made in New York to bring the obelisk from Alexandria given by the former Khedive.

Neva, the pianforte maker, died worth half a

The Dominion Government has withdrawn the permission for American troops to visit Canada under arms, to prevent further complications. Thirty-thousand Mormons petitioned Presi-

dent Hayes to release Reynolds, sentenced to two years for polygamy. It was ineffectual.

The United States Congress adjourned on the

lst of July, without finishing the appropria-

Sam Keen, a Californian speculator, bought several horses at a recent sale of blood stock at Kentucky, and entered three for the English Derby of 1881. A fire occurred in the 2,000-feet level of the

Imperial mine, Virginia City, and killed three The working men of New York have or-

ginised a series of meetings in San Francisco. The papers became alarmed and called for police

Mrs Arnold, of Liege, Belgium, while at Niagara, on her wedding trip, was swept over the Horse-shoe Falls, in sight of her husband. She had stooped for a drink, but lost her balance and fell into the swiftly running

waters. Safter 15 years' labor, the expenditure of L600.000, and the surmounting of tremendous difficulties and opposition, the great Sutro tunstate the more efficient working of the Cornstock Mines in Virginia City, Nevada, has been finished, and is pronounced to be in complete working order. Hale and Moreross Mine companies the complete working order. menced discharging its water into the tunnel, and it made its appearance at the mouth in an hour and 20 minutes. The purpose of this great cut is to thoroughly drain the now drowned mines, and by establishing a working base 2000ft below the original working level, render the extraction of ore easier and less expensive. The credit of the work is due to Adolph Sutro, who has exhibitited exceptional perseverance in carrying it out. A grand fele was given on the occasion,

A negro at Galveston, Texas, who had out-raged a white girl named Edmonds, was literally chapped to pieces by the mob.

he boat Emile Sam, in which a man named Goldsmith and his wife started from Gloucester, Massachusetts, for a trip round the world, has been spoken at sea.

Edward Parr, who murdered his daughter in Philadelphia, poisoned himself in the dock and died while the judicial sentence of death was being pronounced against him.

The Champion Rifle Shot of the World.

Tuesday last was not a tempting day for any out-door sport, and if it had not been that our imagination (and we may add our credulity) had been excited by the reports of Dr Carver's skill at breaking glass balls with a rifle, the fireside would have proved too tempting. Here in England the using as a shot gun a rifle carrying a single ball, and hitting a moving object with it, is a thing the mind does not grasp at first. Given the most convenient position, any amount of time to align the sight, and a stationary object of considerable size, and under all these favorable circumstances a few men can occasionally make their string of seven bullseyes. With the exception of the running deer at Wimbledon, the shooting at a moving object with a rifle is a thing yet unknown. A few crack game shots, by dint of enormous practice, have succeeded in so educating the hand to obey the eye that, with a shot gun which gives a killing circle of 30 inches, they will, within reasonable distance, hit a moving object 19 out of 20 times. Reduce the killing circle to 20 inches, and the effect would probably be to reduce the hits by one half. What then would be thought of a man using a rifle as a shot gun, and consequently reducing his killing circle to the size of the bullet, who, without aligning the sights, but simply by marvellous obedience of hand to eye, hit a moving object 18 times out of 20?

Dr. Carver, who performs this wonderful feat, was born at Saratoga Springs, New York, in the year 1840. Four years later his parents moved to the far Western States, and shortly afterwards the little colony was attacked by Indians, who murdered Mrs Carver and her daughter, and carried into captivity the boy, who was to be in after years dreaded by them as the "evil spirit." He remained some twelve years with his captors, and, living the free, wild life of the plains, the boy developed into a man of exceptional physique. Dr Carver stands 6ft 2in, but his proportions are so admirable that he does not look his height. He pos-sesses a pleasing countenance and auburn

hair, and, what is uncommon with us as the characteristic of a rifle shot, his eyes are brown. Bis education as a shot began with the bow and arrow, with which weapon he attained great skill; and subsequently, when he became the happy possessor of a rifle, his extraordinary "gifts" began to develope, and, having escaped from the Indians, he for many years led the free life of a prairie hunter. He shoots with the left arm fully extended, and with both eyes open, and has accomplished some wonderful feats, not only of skill, but of endurance-to wit, the breaking 5,500 glass balls with the rifle in 7 hours $30\frac{1}{2}$ minutes.

Now for what we saw him do at Hendon on Tuesday, though the weather was so atrocious that it was hardly a fair test of what he is really capable of. He began with the attempt to break 75 balls out of 100, the balls being thrown up into the air by his black servant, a merry-looking nigger named Jem. In spite of wind and snow, he broke 89 out of 100. He then fired to break 50 balls against time, the balls being thrown up as before; the 50 were smashed in Imin 52sec! This may appear incredible to those who have not seen a Winchester repeating rifle, and the marvellous way in which Dr Carver manipulates it. The Winchester is a "magazine" rifle, the magazine consisting of a false barrel underneath the true barrel. The cartridges are inserted through a slot at the side of the breach, and shoved up the false barrel, which holds 16 cartridges. After being fired, the trigger guard acts as a lever, and when thrown forward ejects the empty cartridge case, cocks the gun, and places another cartridge in position.

The doctor next essayed at glass balls thrown 50 or 60 yards from him, and broke five out of six. He then shot at pennies thrown up, hitting on the average 13 out of 16. The wind, which was very strong, constantly turned the pennics edgeways towards him, rendering the shots extremely difficult. He then essayed at halfpennies, and hit 11 out of 13 shot at! But perhaps the prettiest feat was breaking two balls thrown up simultaneously by two men, breaking the first to his right, and turning round and breaking the second.

Most of the above shots were made when the objects were rising or just on the turn, but one of his feats is to remain "at the ready" until the ball is falling, and then break it. The black servant throws glass balls at him, which the doctor breaks when they get about two vards from the muzzle of the rifle. In these shots the bullets must go within about a foot of Jem's head, but he appears to have the most perfect confidence in his master's skill and nerve. - The Field.

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